

45. 3.7 miles northeast of Greenbrier to 2.5 miles east-southeast of Guy (Faulkner Co.), November 27th, 7:11 PM – A weak (F0) tornado had a path length of 4 miles.

46. 9 miles southeast of Bee Branch to 5.5 miles north-northwest of Pearson (Van Buren and Cleburne Cos.), November 27th, 7:19 PM – A strong (F2) tornado had a path length of 10 miles. One person was injured.

47. 3 miles east-southeast of Prim to 3.1 miles east of Prim (Cleburne Co.), November 27th, 7:47 PM – A weak (F0) tornado had a path length of 1.2 miles.

48. 2.3 miles east-northeast of Franklin to 2.3 miles northeast of Saddle (Izard, Sharp, and Fulton Cos.), November 27th, 7:55 PM – A weak (F1) tornado had a path length of 15.8 miles.



In the picture: A pontoon boat was overturned by a weak (F1) tornado on Crown Lake near Horseshoe Bend (Izard County) on 11/27/2005.

49. 3.6 miles west of Marcella to 2.7 miles northeast of St. James (Stone Co.), November 27th, 8:05 PM – A strong (F2) tornado had a path length of 7 miles.

50. 0.7 mile south of Pangburn to 1.3 miles east-northeast of Pangburn (White Co.), November 27th, 8:44 PM – A weak (F1) tornado had a path length of 2 miles.

51. 1.5 miles east-southeast of Woodberry to 3 miles north-northeast of Hampton (Calhoun Co.), December 3rd, 10:18 PM – A weak (F1) tornado had a path length of 2.7 miles.

52. 5.7 miles northeast of Monticello to 8 miles east-northeast of Monticello (Drew Co.), December 3rd, 11:03 PM – A weak (F0) tornado had a path length of 2.7 miles.

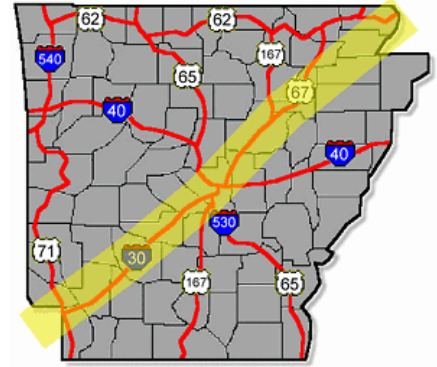


Thunderstorm (Straight-Line) Winds

No fatalities were caused by thunderstorm winds in 2005.

However, two people were injured. The injuries occurred at Centerton (Benton Co.) and Texarkana (Miller Co.).

in past years...and people just became complacent. Recent large tornado outbreaks (such as on January 21, 1999 and March 1, 1997) followed the I-30 and US 67/167 corridors from Texarkana to Little Rock and Newport.



In the picture: Where recent tornado outbreaks have been noted in Arkansas (prior to November 27, 2005).

The event on November 27th was situated northwest of the usual location...with some residents remarking that destructive tornadoes had bypassed their areas for over 25 years.

Other residents had the misconception that they were protected by the rolling terrain north and west of Little Rock. Since this assumption held true during recent outbreaks, the tornadoes on November 27th probably defied logic and surprised some people.

One other thing to consider is the "cry wolf" element of past warnings. For years, the National Weather Service issued warnings for entire counties...which many times included parts of counties not affected by storms. People living in these areas may have become somewhat immune to warnings...and got used to nothing happening.



By the way, warnings are now posted only for areas expected to have severe weather.

"Warning by Polygon" more accurately expresses where severe weather is expected...with the target area usually much smaller than a whole county. For polygon information (when warnings are in effect), go to:

<http://www.srh.noaa.gov/ridge/>

In the picture: "Warning by Polygon".

